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SUBJ: PROJECTS TO COMBAT TERRORISM - PERIMETER PENETRATION-
FENCE ACG MUNICH

REF: STATE 221636; BONN 15131; BONN OM, JULY 29, 1976

1. ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER DISCUSSED PROPOSED FENCE PROJECT WITH DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL BUILDINGS OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR CITY AREA IN WHICH CONGEN BUILDING LOCATED. HE WAS IN POSSESSION OF EMBASSY BONN'S LETTER OF JULY 21 AND ENCLOSED SITE PLAN, BUT HAD NOT YET DISCUSSED PROJECT WITH THE 5 OR 6 OTHER DEPARTMENTS, SUCH AS CITY GARDEN DIRECTORATE, WHO MUST BE CONSULTED PRIOR FINAL DECISION.

2. QUITE EVIDENT DURING MEETING THAT DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL BUILDINGS IS STRONGLY OPPOSED TO OUR PROPOSAL TO BUILD FENCE ON CITY PROPERTY. MAIN ARGUMENT AGAINST OUR PLAN CENTERS ON FACT THAT FENCE WOULD SPOIL AESTHETIC CHARACTER OF SURROUNDING OPEN AREAS WHICH INCLUDE ENGLISH GARDENS AND BAVARIAN STATE CHANCELLERY. OFFICIAL NOTED THAT IF FENCE WERE BUILT ON USG PROPERTY, I.E. WITHIN 10 INCHES OF BUILDING OVERHANG, PERMISSION WOULD PROBABLY BE FORTHCOMING SINCE ONLY ISSUE WOULD BE HEIGHT OF FENCE (FYI - CITY PERMISSION REQUIRED IF HEIGHT EXCEEDS 7 FEET). WHEN IT WAS POINTED OUT THAT SUCH A PLAN WOULD HARDLY CONFORM TO AESTHETIC REQUIREMENTS, NOT TO MENTION
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FACT THAT IT DID NOT MEET OUR NEEDS, OFFICIAL SHRUGGED

AND COMMENTED THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR CITY TO STOP
US FROM BUILDING ON OUR OWN PROPERTY.

3. AT CONGEN REQUEST LOCAL BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT WILL PROCEED
WITH OUR PROPOSAL THROUGH NORMAL CHANNELS. BEST ESTIMATE
IS THAT IT WILL TAKE 6 TO 8 WEEKS BEFORE A FINAL DECISION
IS REACHED.

4. COMMENT: IN VIEW OF COMPLETELY NEGATIVE ATTITUDE DISPLAYED
BY LOCAL BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT, DOUBT VERY MUCH THAT WE WILL
ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING THROUGH REGULAR CHANNELS. ACCORDINGLY,
WE ARE EXPLORING OTHER MEANS OF INFLUENCING CITY
GOVERNMENT TOWARD FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION OF OUR PROPOSAL,
INCLUDING APPROACH TO MAYOR AND POLICE OFFICIALS.

5. WILL KEEP YOU POSTED.
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